

011604

Natalie M. Pimentel, hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail in an envelope addressed to: "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313" on January 16, 2004.

EV 335533065 US

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0032
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	02-508
First Inventor	Sunil G. Warriar et al.
Title	COMPLIANT, STRAIN TOLERANT INTERCONNECTS FOR SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELL STACK
Express Mail Label No.	EV 335533065 US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

ADDRESS TO: Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Specification [Total Pages 19]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
- ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 8]
- Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 7]
 - ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

- ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ☐ Paper
 - ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
- ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
- ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- ☐ Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 10/307,008

Prior application information: Examiner _____ Art Unit: _____
For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

☒ Customer Number: 34,704 OR ☐ Correspondence address below

Name					
Address					
City	State	Zip Code			
Country	Telephone	Fax			

Name (Print/Type)	George A. Coury	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	34,309
Signature		Date	01-16-2004

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.53(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.
If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

22387 U.S. PTO
10/758843

011604

011604

Natalie M. Pimentel, hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail in an envelope addressed to: "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313" on January 16, 2004.

PTO/SB/17 (10-03)

EXPRESS MAIL NO.: EV 335533065 US Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0032
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004 Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.		Compl te if Known	
		Application Number	
		Filing Date	
		First Named Inventor	Sunil G. Warriar et al.
		Examiner Name	
		Art Unit	
		Attorney Docket No.	02-508
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27			
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 1,346.00			

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Credit card <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account: Deposit Account Number: 02-0184 Deposit Account Name:		FEE CALCULATION (continued)																																																																																																																																																																																																																									
3. ADDITIONAL FEES <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Large Entity</th> <th>Small Entity</th> <th>Fee Code</th> <th>Fee (\$)</th> <th>Fee Description</th> <th>Fee Paid</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1051</td><td>130</td><td>2051</td><td>65</td><td>Surcharge - late filing fee or oath</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1052</td><td>50</td><td>2052</td><td>25</td><td>Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1053</td><td>130</td><td>1053</td><td>130</td><td>Non-English specification</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1812</td><td>2,520</td><td>1812</td><td>2,520</td><td>For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1804</td><td>920*</td><td>1804</td><td>920*</td><td>Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1805</td><td>1,840*</td><td>1805</td><td>1,840*</td><td>Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1251</td><td>110</td><td>2251</td><td>55</td><td>Extension for reply within first month</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1252</td><td>420</td><td>2252</td><td>210</td><td>Extension for reply within second month</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1253</td><td>950</td><td>2253</td><td>475</td><td>Extension for reply within third month</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1254</td><td>1,480</td><td>2254</td><td>740</td><td>Extension for reply within fourth month</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1255</td><td>2,010</td><td>2255</td><td>1,005</td><td>Extension for reply within fifth month</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1401</td><td>330</td><td>2401</td><td>165</td><td>Notice of Appeal</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1402</td><td>330</td><td>2402</td><td>165</td><td>Filing a brief in support of an appeal</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1403</td><td>290</td><td>2403</td><td>145</td><td>Request for oral hearing</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1451</td><td>1,510</td><td>1451</td><td>1,510</td><td>Petition to institute a public use proceeding</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1452</td><td>110</td><td>2452</td><td>55</td><td>Petition to revive - unavoidable</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1453</td><td>1,330</td><td>2453</td><td>665</td><td>Petition to revive - unintentional</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1501</td><td>1,330</td><td>2501</td><td>665</td><td>Utility issue fee (or reissue)</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1502</td><td>480</td><td>2502</td><td>240</td><td>Design issue fee</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1503</td><td>640</td><td>2503</td><td>320</td><td>Plant issue fee</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1460</td><td>130</td><td>1460</td><td>130</td><td>Petitions to the Commissioner</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1807</td><td>50</td><td>1807</td><td>50</td><td>Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1806</td><td>180</td><td>1806</td><td>180</td><td>Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>8021</td><td>40</td><td>8021</td><td>40</td><td>Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1809</td><td>770</td><td>2809</td><td>385</td><td>Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1810</td><td>770</td><td>2810</td><td>385</td><td>For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1801</td><td>770</td><td>2801</td><td>385</td><td>Request for Continued Examination (RCE)</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1802</td><td>900</td><td>1802</td><td>900</td><td>Request for expedited examination of a design application</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table>		Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid	1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath		1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet		1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification		1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination		1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month		1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month		1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month		1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month		1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month		1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal		1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal		1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing		1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding		1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable		1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional		1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)		1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee		1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee		1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner		1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)		1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt		8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)		1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))		1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))		1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application		1. BASIC FILING FEE <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Large Entity</th> <th>Small Entity</th> <th>Fee Code</th> <th>Fee (\$)</th> <th>Fee Description</th> <th>Fee Paid</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1001</td><td>770</td><td>2001</td><td>385</td><td>Utility filing fee</td><td>770.00</td></tr> <tr><td>1002</td><td>340</td><td>2002</td><td>170</td><td>Design filing fee</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1003</td><td>530</td><td>2003</td><td>265</td><td>Plant filing fee</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1004</td><td>770</td><td>2004</td><td>385</td><td>Reissue filing fee</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1005</td><td>160</td><td>2005</td><td>80</td><td>Provisional filing fee</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td colspan="5">SUBTOTAL (1)</td><td>(\$) 770.00</td></tr> </tbody> </table>		Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid	1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	770.00	1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee		1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee		1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee		1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee		SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$) 770.00
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	770.00																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$) 770.00																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Total Claims</th> <th>Extra Claims</th> <th>Fee from below</th> <th>Fee Paid</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>52</td> <td>-20** = 32</td> <td>18</td> <td>576</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>-3** = 3</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4"> SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 576.00 </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid	52	-20** = 32	18	576	3	-3** = 3			SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 576.00				4. OTHER FEES <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Large Entity</th> <th>Small Entity</th> <th>Fee Code</th> <th>Fee (\$)</th> <th>Fee Description</th> <th>Fee Paid</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1202</td><td>18</td><td>2202</td><td>9</td><td>Claims in excess of 20</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1201</td><td>86</td><td>2201</td><td>43</td><td>Independent claims in excess of 3</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1203</td><td>290</td><td>2203</td><td>145</td><td>Multiple dependent claim, if not paid</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1204</td><td>86</td><td>2204</td><td>43</td><td>** Reissue independent claims over original patent</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>1205</td><td>18</td><td>2205</td><td>9</td><td>** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td colspan="5">SUBTOTAL (3)</td><td>(\$)</td></tr> </tbody> </table>		Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid	1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20		1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3		1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent		1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent		SUBTOTAL (3)					(\$)																																																																																																																																																														
Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid																																																																																																																																																																																																																								
52	-20** = 32	18	576																																																																																																																																																																																																																								
3	-3** = 3																																																																																																																																																																																																																										
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 576.00																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
SUBTOTAL (3)					(\$)																																																																																																																																																																																																																						

SUBMITTED BY		(Complete (if applicable))	
Name (Print/Type)	George A. Coury	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	34,309
Signature		Telephone	203-777-6628
		Date	January 16, 2004

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.